## Minutes of the Southern Utah Veterans Home-Ivins, Advisory Board Meeting, June 10, 2015

In Attendance: Terry Dunne (Chairman), Lloyd Laycook (Vice Chair), Bill Toole (Board Member), Donna Lister (Board Member), David Jones (Board Member), Mel Brewer (Board Member), Jacqueline Peterson (State Officer), Jerry Olson (Nursing Home Administrator), Donna Toole (Visitor)

Excused: Board Members Chris Hart, Ron Lee, Scott Smith, Jeff McKenna; Executive Director Gary Harter, Deputy Director Dennis McFall.

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Dunne at 4:00pm and all present were welcomed.
- 2. Prayer offered by David Jones, Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Toole,
- 3. Minutes of May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Meeting read by Chairman Dunne. Motion to approve (Laycook), Second (Toole). Minutes approved as read.
- 4. New Board Member, David Jones, was introduced. He is a Chaplain in the Utah National Guard and Ivins Resident. All others introduced self and role.
- 5. Board Members, Donna Lister, Chris Hart & Ron Lee have agreed to serve an additional 2 year appointment to the Board.
- 6. Board Member Toole reports this being last Board Meeting. State Officer Peterson, and Chairman Terry Dunne presented Board Member Toole with an Eagle Plaque and certificate.
- 7. Resident Report (Board Member Brewer). The dedication and unveiling of the Guardian Monument was the outstanding event of the year for the residents. Gratitude for the work by State Officer Peterson was offered. 11 June at 2:00 is the ribbon cutting of the Fish tank. The residents have scheduled a Hoedown for 20 June at 12:30, and all are invited.
  - a. Future Events being discussed:
    - i. Sept or October Luau.
    - ii. Another Hoedown scheduled for later in the fall.
  - b. Copy of a letter from one of the residents offered in the meeting packets, which expresses its gratitude for the care he is receiving.
  - c. Residents are expected to vote on red-shirt Friday to honor deployed soldiers.
  - d. Referenced the picture of the Guardian monument was referenced. The inscription from the monument was read. Vice Chairman Laycook and Chairman praised the impact of the Guardian monument. Board Member Brewer requested

that photographs/copies of the inscription be framed and placed around the home for the residents to see without needing to go outside.

- 8. Administrator Olsen provided the following report.
  - a. Current Census: 102 (as of 10 June 2015)
  - b. Total Admissions: 14 (12 from hospital; 2 from home, as of 31 May 2015)
  - c. Discharges: 18 (1 to hospital; 11 to home; 6 due to expiration, as of 31 May 2015
  - d. Interest list contains 10 individuals wanting "regular" care and 16 desiring memory care.
  - e. Financial Report: May net income, \$42,714; YTD net income, \$447,226.
  - f. Discussed Fish Aquarium Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on 11 June at 2:00 pm. Press release provided in meeting packet.
  - g. Life Safety Update: The fire suppression systems rules require that egress/escape doors need to be operable without any "special knowledge". Many of the doors currently have a keypad, and the codes are posted near the door. It is believed that this does not require special knowledge but Denver Regional Representatives/Life Safety Officers disagree. The State of Utah concurs that the risk of elopement is greater than the risk of having the code. The Regional Rep is in disagreement as is requiring the State of Utah to fix or issue citations. Discussion of a Delayed Egress procedure which will not require special knowledge. In the event of a fire they open automatically. Estimated cost will be around \$40,000. State Officer Peterson reported that this cost will come from 2380 "holdback"/Rainy day money that come from portions of federal payments (\$10.00 per patient per day) aside for these sorts of expenses. These do not impact overall operating costs administered by Avalon, and require state procurement procedures, which ensures it does not draw from operating costs that benefit the residents.
- 9. Chairman Dunne pointed out that metal from an Eagle Scout project is beginning to rust. State officer Peterson will look into getting it sealed. Also, still waiting responses to bid to build a block wall on the 9/10 Acre across the road from the main property. This will be discussed at a future meeting.
- 10. The Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Dunne at 4:55.